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## Back to School: Richland County Lends a Helping Hand

By AIC Stephanie Garrick and Agent Jessie Rosier - Richland County

The SCDPPPS Richland County Office united together to participate in this year's back to school supply drive. School supplies were donated by the Richland County employees which ranged from book bags, notebooks, paper, pencils, pencil sharpeners, and glue sticks. In all, seven boxes were filled and distributed to Hyatt Park Elementary School, Lewis Greenview Elementary School and the Olympia Learning Center, an alternative school for grades four through twelve.

Karen Workman, Guidance Counselor at Lewis Greenview Elementary, stated that many children are in need of basic supplies such as paper and pencils. This is due, she said, to some parents who just don't care and to some parents who must choose between putting gas in the car or paying the electric bill as to providing notebook paper to their children.



Ms. Workman expressed gratitude to the office for all the supplies donated and ensured that they would be given to needy students.

The Richland County Office has assisted Richland School District One in the past with such programs as "Future Focus Career Quest", which is a job fair held at Fort Jackson. Agent Jesse Rosier stated, "the employees decided to donate the school supplies to help our children who are less fortunate and to promote a better working relationship with our schools." To show our support, we hope to make this an annual event.

### Supplies Needed Year-Round

For many families, preparing youngsters to return to school in the fall is a budgeting nightmare. Many have difficulty affording new school clothes, not to mention a long list of required classroom supplies. The need for supplies extends throughout the school year. Most schools maintain a list of needed supplies. Contact your local school district office to find out ways you can help year round.

## New Certified Project Managers

Information Technology employees Nasrin Chowdhury, Rebecca Timmons, Chris Catoe and Bill Miller received their Associate State Certified Project Manager certificates in July.



The Program, offered by the State Budget & Control Board's Division of the State Chief Information Office, was developed with input from an Advisory Council representing state agencies, colleges and universities. It is designed to insure that a sufficient number of trained and qualified project managers are available to manage the State's technology projects in the future. The goal of the program is to make available to each agency cost-effective project management training sufficient to prepare selected staff to effectively manage all IT projects, without regard to size or complexity.

Persons enrolled in the program go through a 15-week training course to learn project management methodology and standards for initiating, planning, managing (controlling and executing), and closing IT projects. Enrollees are required to complete weekly assignments and pass a comprehensive exam at the end of the course.

Moving into the fall, it seems like this year has flown by quickly. We haven't let time



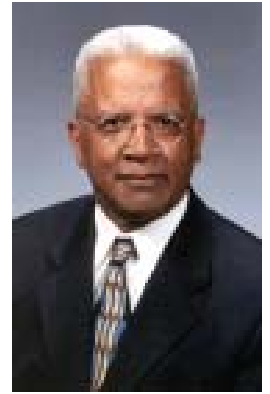
pass without making significant progress along the way this year though, and I'm very proud of all we've accomplished as a Department.

Developing the new sex offender protocols last January put our agency in a proactive position for implementing Jessie's Law in the summer. As you are all keenly aware, we will be in the midst of addressing the provisions of this new legislation, including GPS, well into the coming year. In addition, we will continue to build on our sex offender program through focused training, on-going research and evaluation of everything we've begun over the past year to refine our supervision strategies with this offender population.

The Department will continue its investment in ensuring a sound technological infrastructure for getting our work done. This will include expansion of LiveScan into additional county offices through a second year of grant funding for this initiative. As we move toward 2007, we'll be gearing up for the installation of a revitalized Offender Information System. This will surely result in a user-friendly automated capacity for Agents to rely on in managing caseloads and it will also provide better data, more efficiently, for agency management to use in responding to external information requests and in strategic planning for the Department.

There are so many activities and projects underway in every area of the Department in addition to the significant daily demands across the state and in Central Office. These special initiatives include various reentry projects, delivery of methamphetamine training for Agents in early December, community outreach efforts, data analysis to support the Offender

Assessment initiative, implementing and publishing a revised strategic plan, and incorporating new and revised closure codes into the existing OIS, just to name a few. There's also another round of grant monies to be applied for over the next few months.



Keep up the excellent work! I hope to see each of you as I continue to make visits to county offices and talk to staff in every part of the state. Enjoy the cooler weather that makes this time of year such a welcome change!

**Sam Glover**

## Managers Graduate from Executive Leadership Training Institute

By Peter O'Boyle, Public Information Director

(Adapted from an article in *The State*, September 14, 2006)

Three SCDPPPS staff members were among the first-ever graduates of the Executive Leadership Training Institute at the S.C. Criminal Justice Academy in September. Regional Directors Clift Howle and Chris Stepp, along with Chief Hearing Officer Heyward Hinton were among the graduates. A total of 22 people from around the state completed the training.

The training, which began in January, focused on providing executive leadership skills to officials representing detention facilities, law enforcement, corrections and pardons and probation agencies, said academy interim director, William "Bill" Neill. Participants attended five, three-day sessions on "high profile" issues affecting criminal justice officials. The theme of the course was *Every Officer is a Leader*.



From left: Clift Howle, Chris Stepp (Director Glover) and Heyward Hinton.

The other graduates from the Midlands area were: Thomas D. Williams Jr., Operations Chief of the Kershaw County Detention Center, Capt. Michael Anthony Adams of the Orangeburg Department of Public Safety, Chief Matthew A. Johnson of the Springdale Police Department, Lt. Roxanne Meetze and Capt. Randall G. Scott of the Richland County Sheriff's Department and Lt. Col. Harry A. Stubblefield of the S.C. Highway Patrol.



# NEW AGENTS GO TO CLASS

**SCDPPPS has begun a new class in Agent Basic Skills. The three-week training is designed to teach the skills necessary to supervise offenders successfully. This course is in addition to the nine-week C-1 certification course at the Criminal Justice Academy.**



**The first class of PPP graduates pose with Director Glover. Graduates of the first class were: Jamont McRae, Marlboro; James Donnan, Charleston; Jeremy Kittrell, Orangeburg; Brent Blackwell, Greenville; Sheri Billie, Berkeley; Cresinna Underwood, York; Shaun Insley, Richland; Emily Nance with the Office of Executive Programs, who audited the course; Kathleen Nadobny, Charleston; Bryan Barber, Lancaster; (Mr. Glover); Brandon Bartell, Dorchester; Shannon Nemes, York; William Freestate, Anderson; Michael Thrasher, Richland; Kelly Stafford, Charleston; Tyic Leach, Richland; Atrez Flemings, Greenville; John Fontes, Charleston; Trenholm Campbell, York; Larry Davis, York; Marion Mack, Richland; and Gregory Whittaker, Jasper.**

## SC Hosts NGA Meeting

Charleston was the site of the National Governor's Association Annual Meeting in August. SCDPPPS' Special Operations section worked with the United States Secret Service, SLED, the Department of Natural Resources, and the State Highway Patrol to prepare and carry out a security plan in concert with officials of the NGA to ensure the safety of the nation's governors and their families.



**South Carolina Governor Mark Sanford delivers greetings during the opening ceremony of the NGA annual meeting.**

## Law Enforcement Information Sharing

**The Low Country Yesterday – The State Today!**  
By Tony Dukes, Office of Executive Programs

In the spring of 2005, the Department signed a memorandum of agreement (MOA) with the Low Country Information Technology Improvement Project (ITIP). ITIP was started by the Sheriff's Departments of Charleston, Berkeley, and Dorchester counties and the Police Departments for the municipalities of Charleston, Mount Pleasant, and North Charleston. Together, they have developed a secure regional information system to integrate their stand-alone databases and share information electronically across jurisdictional boundaries. ITIP

sought and obtained technical assistance from the National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center-Southeast (NLECTC-SE) to help develop the regional information system. Our Department was the first statewide agency to join ITIP. While the initial structure of the network had dedicated lines, the Department represents the first web based agency. Connections for the Department have been set up and Agents are being assigned passwords to access the database. Plans are in place to share SCDPPPS data with this information system, and soon

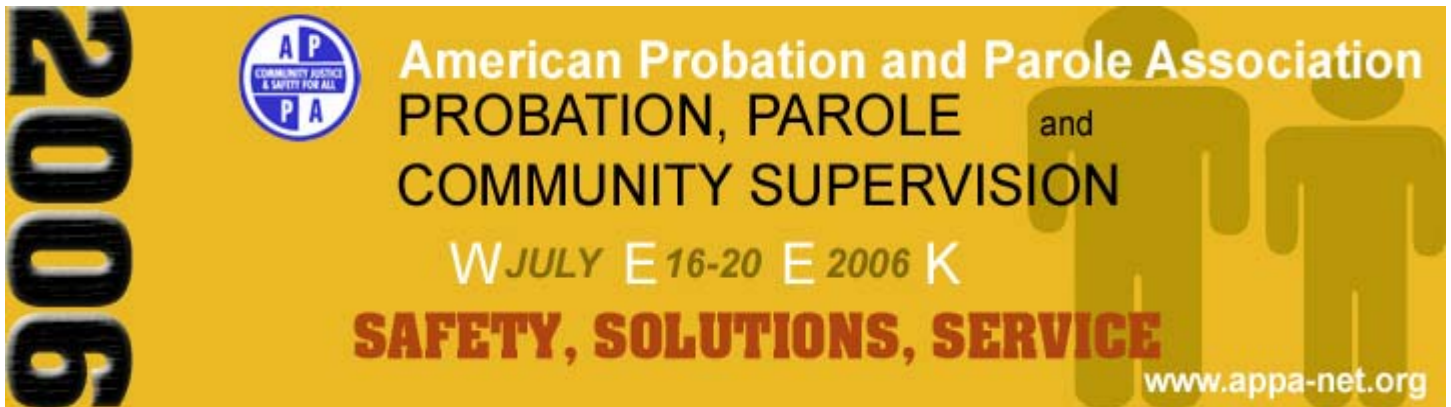
lowcountry law enforcement will be able to access certain PPP offender data.

SLED has been charged by the Department of Homeland Security with bringing together information from law enforcement agencies throughout the state into a single data warehouse for sharing and access by any criminal justice agency within the state. To meet this requirement, SLED has acquired ITIP to form the South Carolina Information Exchange (SCIEx). In addition to the local agencies, all state level law enforcement agencies will be asked to participate in the SCIEx system. These include PPP, the SC Departments of Public

Safety, Natural Resources and Corrections, along with the state Judicial Department. As an ITIP board member, PPP became an immediate member of SCIEx. As local law enforcement departments come online with SCIEx, all county offices will have the same opportunities as our lowcountry offices have now: to find and locate our offenders who have come in contact with law enforcement.

Information will be sent to AICs of each county as to how their county will be able to connect to SCIEx. If you have any questions, please contact Tony Dukes in the Office of Executive Programs.

# Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week at PPP



Gov. Mark Sanford proclaimed July 16-22, 2006 as Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week in South Carolina. Each day PPP employees continue to work to make our communities safer. They make a difference through mentoring, interventions, rewards and sanctions, treatment, partnerships with other agencies and community groups, and by assisting offenders in their efforts toward leading law-abiding lives. The week was a time for our state and nation to recognize the hard work and sacrifice made by the men and women who work the front lines every day with offenders.



## Orangeburg Celebrates PP & CS Week

Mikisha Freeman and Frank Peterson get ready for an intense game of "Trouble" after enjoying a cookout.

## Marion Celebrates the Week

Enjoying a cookout at the home of AIC Dan Barker are Jason Turbeville, Jack Witherspoon, Barker and Jean Coleman.





## Combined PP&CS Week Festivities

Chesterfield and Marlboro counties teamed up to celebrate the week. (Bottom row, left) Agent In Charge Monnie English, Pamela McLaurin, Tara Bryant (Middle row, left) Sheila Funderburk, Tony Davidson, Jamont McRae and Andy Rivers (Back Row, left) Deputy Director Jeff Cogdill, Mark Funderburk and Reggie German.

## Fairfield County PP & CS Week

Fairfield County staff celebrated Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week at Ryan's Family Restaurant in Columbia. (From left) Demond Davis, AIC Tiffany Phillips, RD Clift Howle and Dianne Johnston. Not pictured is Agent Jeannine Edenfield.



## Central Office Chows Down

Central Office employees celebrate the week with a barbecue luncheon.



# *The Sex Offender Accountability and Protection of Minors Act of 2006: "Jessie's Law"*

by Ben Aplin, Assistant Chief Legal Counsel

## OVERVIEW

We are well into the new fiscal year and the intricacies of the much heralded "Jessie's Law" are now becoming part of the Department's collective conscience. After months of legislative wrangling that sometimes resembled a tennis match with different versions the law being volleyed from chamber to chamber and sub-committee to sub-committee, the Sex Offender Accountability and Protection of Minors Act of 2006 (the Act) was officially signed into law by Governor Sanford on June 8, 2006, with an effective date of July 1, 2006. The Act has been informally dubbed "Jessie's Law" by several legislators because it was enacted in part to honor the memory of Jessica Lunsford, a nine year old girl from Homosassa, Florida who was kidnapped, sexually assaulted, and murdered in February of 2005 by John Evander Couey, a registered sex offender who lived nearby. After losing his daughter, Jessica's father, Mark Lunsford, has worked with both Federal and State legislators from all over the United States to introduce tougher sex offender registration laws, including stricter punishments for those who break those laws, and the required use of active electronic monitoring devices to track their whereabouts.

The State of South Carolina responded quickly to the call for increased vigilance

funding - funding which ultimately was not included in the State's 2005 budget. In 2006, with strong support from both the Governor's Office and this Department, a group of legislators introduced a more focused piece of legislation aimed at protect minors from future sexual victimization through increased penalties and mandatory electronic monitoring for the most heinous sex offenders, as well as discretionary imposition of electronic monitoring for other sex offenders where the crime involved a minor. Though also inspired by Jessica Lunsford, in order to distinguish it from the prior year's law, this 2006 legislation is now known as "Jessie's Law."

## JESSIE'S LAW

Jessie's Law placed the Department at the center of its active electronic monitoring component and requires us to implement and operate an active electronic monitoring program both for sex offenders under our supervision, and those previously beyond the Department's jurisdiction but who are living in the community. Through the use of Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) technology which was widely tested by the Department during a multi-county grant funded initiative in 2005, I believe the Department is prepared to meet the requirements of "Jessie's Law."

As many of you know, creating the infrastructure on which to build the comprehensive GPS monitoring program is a monumental,



**"Jessie's Law" was enacted in part to honor the memory of Jessica Marie Lunsford, a nine year old girl from Florida who was kidnapped, sexually assaulted, and murdered in February 2005. For more information, visit the website [www.jessicamarielunsford.com](http://www.jessicamarielunsford.com).**

over sex offenders, passing legislation in 2005 which would require lifetime electronic monitoring of all registered sex offenders if the crime involved a minor. However, "Jessica's Law," as it was commonly called, included a provision making its implementation contingent upon

ongoing process which involves nearly every Division and Section of the Department. For example, in the Division of Administration the Information Technology Systems Section is making significant adjustments to the automated Offender Information System in order to

accommodate the new supervision types and financial accounts associated



with the Act. In the Division of Legal Services, the Office of Legal Services developed the "Notice of Sex Offender Accountability and Protection of Minors Act of 2006" to notify offenders of the provision of the Act, and it has worked with the Hearing Section and the Division of Field Operations to revise the Department's violation policies and procedures. In the Division of Field Operations, staff state wide are interpreting and adhering to the requirements of Jessie's Law each time a sex offender fails to follow the conditions of his or her supervision. In addition, the Office of Interstate Compact Services is developing policies and protocols for complying with Jessie's law where offenders are seeking to transfer into or out of South Carolina.

## NEW CHALLENGES

In the coming months the Department will face new and exciting challenges in using GPS technology to hold sex offenders accountable and I am confident those challenges can be met. Soon we will be working towards establishing a twenty-four hour GPS call center in Columbia to handle the anticipated increase in the volume of sex offenders under GPS monitoring. The Department will also engage in ongoing training on the use of the GPS equipment and appropriate responses. Although many of the specific provisions of Jessie's Law are new, they compliment the Department's sex offender initiative, which was rolled out in January of this year with substantial success. Working together, I am confident we can fulfill the obligations and duties created by "Jessie's Law," and can make significant strides in better protecting the children of South Carolina from sex offenders with malevolent intent. Thank you for all of your hard work.



# PPP Agent Badging Ceremonies

Graduating from the Criminal Justice Academy and receiving their badges June 23<sup>rd</sup> were: Latisha P. Fludd, Berkeley; Carl J. Olson, Sumter; Willie M. Sellers, Jr. Orangeburg; LaQuandra S. Sistare, Lancaster.



Graduating on July 21<sup>st</sup> were (from left): Treadwell R. Zeigler and Tiffany C. Peacock, Greenville County; Mikisha L. Freeman, Orangeburg; (Deputy Director for Field Operations Jeff Cogdill) Phillip Swann, Spartanburg; Kristin M. Tomaso, Greenville; and Gary A. Justice, Richland. Tomaso received the Class Leader Award.

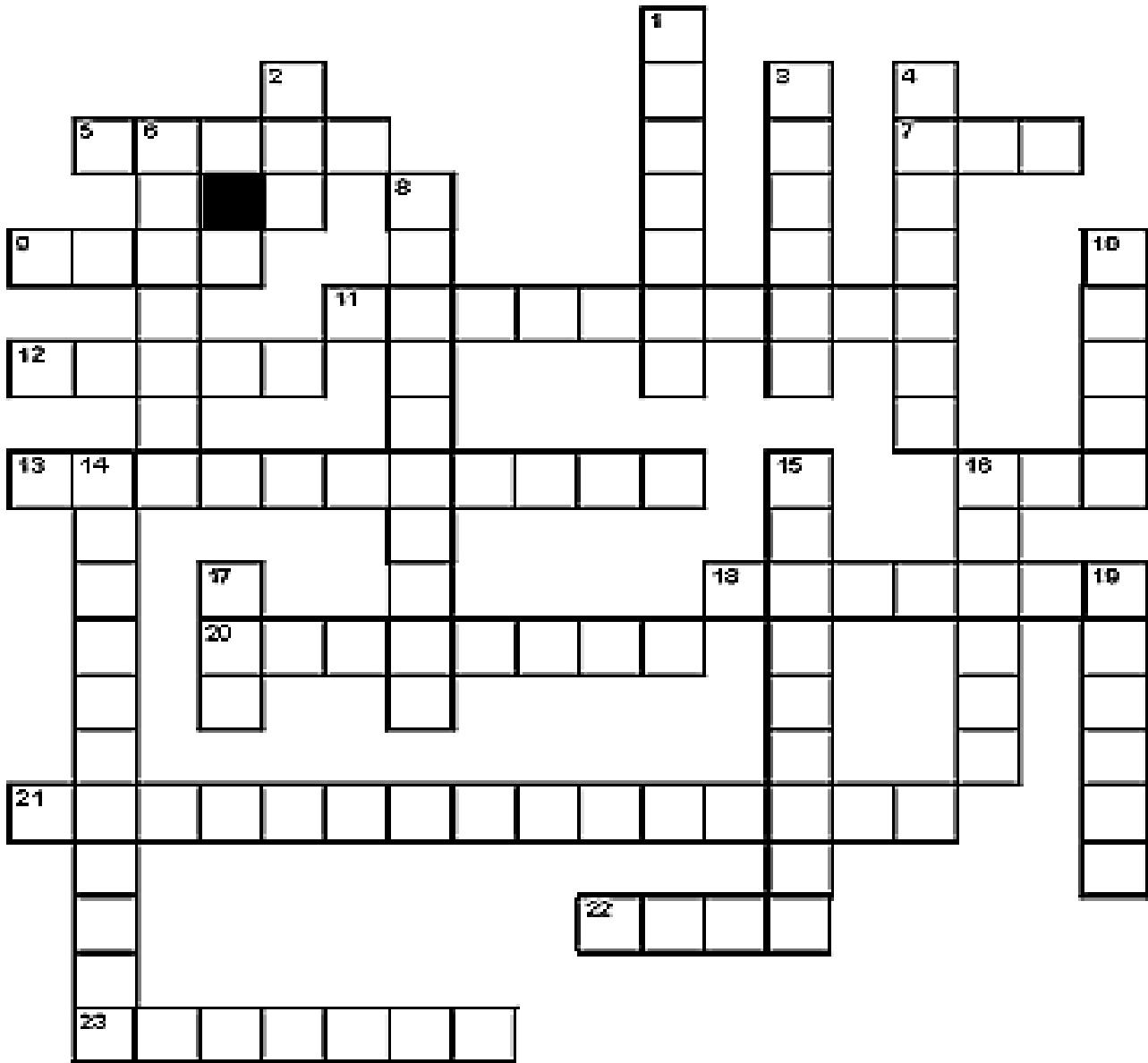
Graduating from the August 11<sup>th</sup> Criminal Justice Academy class were new Agents (from left): Heather R. Matthews, Sumter; (Deputy Director for Field Operations Jeff Cogdill) LaSheika S. VanDyke, Richland; and Sean A. Karr, Anderson.



Graduating from the September 1<sup>st</sup> Criminal Justice Academy class and receiving their badges as certified Agents are (from left): Jacob Burch of Greenwood County, Autumn Daniel of Greenwood, Jessica Hedrick of Berkeley and Nicholas Young of Berkeley. Accompanying them is Regional Director Robert Mitchell. Agent Young received a Distinguished Graduate award.

# Do You Really Read The Informer???

All the answers to the clues below can be found in this edition of The Informer. To find them, you will have to read every page. GOOD LUCK!



## ACROSS

- 5 A sponsor of the 2006 SCCJTC
- 7 Marie Simpson's section at C. O.
- 9 Month PP&CS Week is celebrated
- 11 Citizens Police Academy graduate
- 12 Jessie's middle name
- 13 Sex Offender internet monitoring software
- 16 Where Executive Leadership Trng. was held
- 18 What is scarce at Central Office these days?
- 20 Name of PPP's newsletter
- 21 Mandatory Agent training in December
- 22 Number of new employees in York
- 23 Orangeburg's "favorite" game

## DOWN

- 1 "Every \_\_\_\_\_ is a Leader"
- 2 New tech. mandated by Jessie's Law
- 3 Another state Marie Boulton worked in
- 4 "Prepare, Provide & \_\_\_\_\_"
- 6 "A calorie is always a \_\_\_\_\_"
- 8 City where the NGA Conference was held
- 10 Spartanburg's new facility director
- 14 Information Technology \_\_\_\_\_ Project
- 15 Project \_\_\_\_\_, gun violence initiative
- 16 The first "C" in ICAC
- 17 Number of CJA grads in July
- 19 Bamberg's new AIC

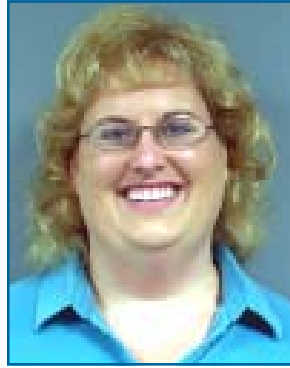


## *Congratulations to our New AICs and Directors*



**Marie Boulton**  
**Agent-In-Charge - Barnwell**

Marie has been with the Department for 13 years. She has worked as an Agent in the states of Hawaii and North Carolina. Marie has extensive experience working with the development of the Sex Offender Program in Hawaii as well as assisting PPP in formulating our current guidelines. Marie brings a wealth of knowledge to her new position.



**Marna Windle**  
**Facility Director -**  
**Spartanburg Residential**  
**Services Program**

Marna began her career with the Department in August 1996 as an Agent in Greenville County. She was named Team Leader in that office in 2005, and has coordinated many efforts to include Pre-Parole Investigations, YOA's and Sex Offender caseloads. Marna ALSO has served on numerous committees at PPP.



**Todd Graham**  
**Agent-In-Charge - Bamberg**

Todd has a diverse background in the criminal justice field. He worked nine years with the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice as a Correctional Officer and later was promoted to Campus Supervisor before becoming a Public Safety Officer. Todd began his career with PPP in 1999 and has held the Team Leader position for the past 18 months in the Orangeburg County office.



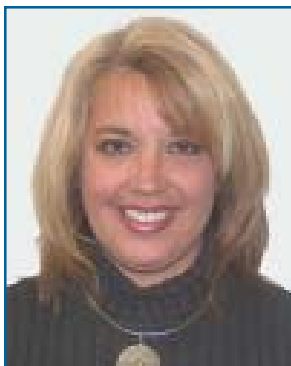
**Jeff Harmon**  
**Agent-In-Charge -**  
**Spartanburg**

Jeff began his career in Greenville in 1994 after having served as a volunteer in Greenwood. In 1997, he was promoted to a Supervisor position in Spartanburg before serving as a Regional Program Coordinator. In 1999, he returned to Spartanburg as a Supervisor, and most recently, has served Assistant AIC of Spartanburg.



**Mitchell Ray**  
**Agent-In-Charge - Aiken**

Mitchell has been with the Department for 13 years. He began his career in Beaufort County. He has also worked as an Agent in the Aiken and Orangeburg County offices before being promoted to Agent-in-Charge of Barnwell County in 2004. Mitchell is looking forward to new experiences in Aiken County.



**Stephanie Garrick**  
**Agent-In-Charge - Richland**

Stephanie began her career with the Department in 1989 in Aiken County. In 1990 she transferred to Orangeburg where she was a supervising Agent until her promotion to Team Leader in 1999. In 2004 Stephanie was promoted to Agent-In-Charge of Bamberg County. Stephanie brings 17 years of experience to this position.



Legal Service's Marguerite Brown doesn't have a gun and a badge - yet, but she's an official graduate of the Citizens Police Academy. The

Academy, conducted by the Columbia Police Department, is a free ten evening course designed to familiarize citizens with various aspects of community law enforcement. The Academy focuses on administrative philosophy, internal policies and guiding

principles of law and ethical conduct governing the delivery of police services in our community.

## Sex Offender Supervision Update

by Ken Wagner, Office of Executive Programs

It has now been about nine months since the Department began implementing the new sex offender supervision protocols. All participants in the criminal justice system have been educated about the new protocols and many questions have been answered.

In addition, Policy and Procedure 104 has been updated to allow for computer searches of offender computers. Soon, Agents will have the ability to monitor offender internet use live.

The use of GPS in offender monitoring continues to demand much of our resources. Lexington County has continued to use this technology which has given us tremendous insight prior to deploying GPS statewide.

In October, Dr. Jim Tanner of Knowledge Based Solutions, Inc. will present a second session of "FieldSearch" (the sex offender monitoring software) to staff from around the state as well as staff from U. S. Probation.

## RMS Training Highlights

by Marie Simpson, Records Management Services (RMS)

In an effort to get our Agency back on track with its commitment to a continuing program of records management, Marie Simpson designed and presented "The Basics of a Successful Records Retention Program: Prepare... Provide...Protect" for delivery to all county office Record Coordinators during the month of August.

The primary focus of the training was to provide clear and concise instructions for establishing new retention schedules, revising existing retention schedules and deleting those schedules that are obsolete. Another focus during each session covered revisions to SCDPPPS Policy and Procedures 102 and 127 (Opening and Closing Cases).

A special thanks goes out to Patrice Boyd, Assistant Deputy Director for Administration, Lavenia Simmons and Jackie Baker of the Human Resource Development Section and Julie Dunn of RMS for their assistance in making the training a success.

***Food for thought to all staff: Prepare good records, so that we can provide future services to customers and protect the integrity of this Department.***

## ***Fat-Free Isn't Always "Free"***

Remember that a calorie is always a calorie whether it comes from fat, protein or carbohydrate. Reducing fat and saturated fat in your family's diet is important to maintain heart health and reduce calories. However, fat-free or reduced-fat food choices aren't always low in calories. They can be high in sugar or other nutrients that increase calories.

Some reduced-fat or fat-free foods provide almost the same number of calories as the regular food. Often times, they are not the solution to weight loss. This is especially true if you think you can eat more of a reduced-fat food than you would eat of a regular item. For example, did you know:

- A serving of three reduced-fat chocolate chip cookies (30 grams) contain 118 calories, while an equal serving of the regular version has 142 calories?
- A 1-ounce serving of baked tortilla chips has 113 calories, versus 143 calories for the same amount of regular tortilla chips?
- A 2 tablespoon serving of fat-free caramel topping contains the same number of calories (103) as an equal amount of homemade caramel topping with butter?



### **Think differently about calories, fat, and sugar**

Remember that energy balance begins with the understanding that calories are still calories, no matter the source. We know that fat and sugar are important to limit in your family's diet. For example, fat has twice as many calories as protein or carbohydrate, so it's easy to see that reducing fat is important to energy balance.

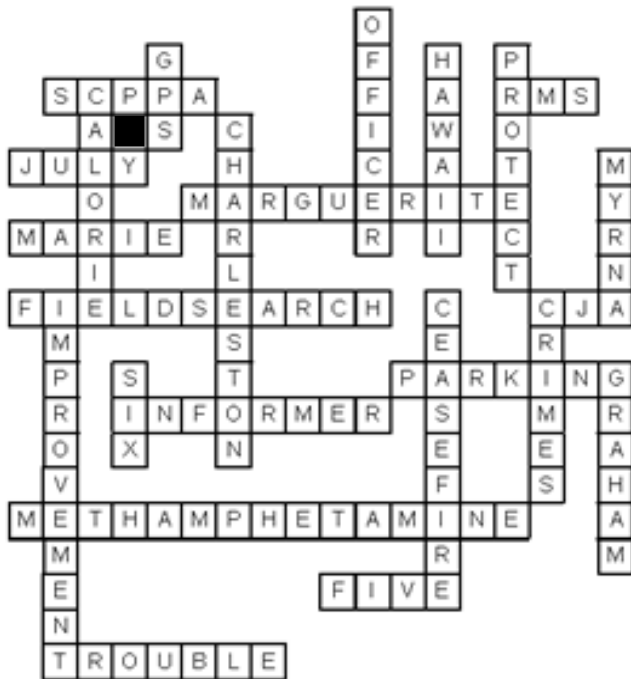
Sugar is found naturally in some foods, like the fructose in fruits or lactose in milk. However, added sugar in prepared foods and drinks like the high-fructose corn syrup in sweetened beverages and breakfast cereals need to be cut back.

Studies show that people who consume many foods and drinks with added sugar tend to consume more calories than people who consume fewer of these foods. They also show a link between weight gain and drinking sweetened beverages. Cutting back on added sugars, especially from sweetened beverages such as regular soda and fruit punch, can help you and your family maintain a healthy weight.

Added sugar provides calories but no additional nutrients. An eating plan that helps you and your family maintain a healthy weight is one that focuses on getting plenty of nutrients within your calorie needs.

Many children and teens, especially girls, don't get enough calcium, a mineral that's important for strong bones and teeth and other body functions. Giving your children fat-free or low-fat milk instead of sweetened beverages can give their bodies a boost.

## Solution to Crossword Puzzle



## Dillon Office Subject of Article

by Peter O'Boyle, Public Information Director

U.S. District Judge R. Bryan Harwell of Florence sentenced 19-year-old Everson Desmond Baines to 57 months in prison after his arrest on charges of being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Everson was arrested during a home visit conducted by AIC Antonio Vaughn and Agent Robert Collins of the Dillon County office, and sheriff's deputies. They seized a loaded 12-gauge shotgun, a loaded .38-caliber revolver and ammunition from Baines' residence.

The U.S. Attorney's office prosecuted the case as part of Project CeaseFire, an initiative that seeks to aggressively prosecute gun-related crimes. The arrest was the subject of an article in the Florence Morning News.



## Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

The National ICAC Task Force, through the SC Attorney General's Office, sponsored a training event on September 11-15, 2006. The purpose of the training was to introduce attendees to the nationwide Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program and to familiarize participants with the team approach to offender management including the importance of parole/probation and law enforcement working together. Information presented included training on proactive and reactive investigations involving internet crimes against children and internet preferential sex offender typologies. SCDPPPS sent 18 Agents to this professional development training.

## 2006 SC Criminal Justice Training Conference

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### "Synergism: Connecting the Dots"

*Synergism: The action of two or more entities to achieve an effect of which each is individually incapable*

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# Central Office Parking Deck Renovation Update

By Karen Fuqua, Procurement Section

During the past several weeks, a strange phenomenon has been occurring at the PPP Central Office. Leg muscles are developing and the overall health of the staff seems to be improving. Fewer people are smoking or, at least, smoking as much due to the increased outdoor noise level. From an educational point, the staff has learned the art of concrete cutting which will come in handy the next time a patio or driveway needs repairing. What is the reason? The Central Office parking deck renovation project, of course.

To date, the renovations are on target and few parking problems have occurred as a result of the much needed repairs to the parking areas. The biggest problem so far seems to be the task of walking up the gravel driveway of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church parking lot adjacent to the Central Office where some staff

members are parking while work to PPP's parking deck gets underway and done. Please be careful, those rocks can be quite a challenge, especially for women in heels. For those parking on Devine Street, the challenge has been traversing the traffic to get into the office.

On hearing days, a shuttle runs from 3150 Harden Street Extension, (the DSS Child Protective Services Building) and the lower parking level behind the building on Colonial Drive to Central Office. If you are visiting the Central Office and looking for parking, spaces may be available on either side of the 2221 Devine Street building, in the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church parking lot, or on the side streets. Thanks to the cooperation of our staff and responsive planning, the parking project is progressing successfully.

*Please Welcome*

**OUR NEW EMPLOYEES**



**JUNE - SEPTEMBER 2006**

Bryan Barber	Lancaster
Brandon Bartell	Dorchester
Sheri Billie	Berkeley
Lou Anna Blackburn	Horry
Brian Burrell	Spartanburg
Matthew Cain	Finance
Trenholm Campbell	York
Larry Davis	York
James Donnan	Charleston
Tammy Elsey	Berkeley
Michael Glover	Richland
Vincent Howard	Berkeley
Shaun Insley	Richland
Anitra Jiles	Dorchester
Jeremy Kittrell	Orangeburg
Tyic R. Leach	Richland
Ja'Coby Lewis	Richland
Marion Mack, Jr.	Richland
Shannon Nelmes	York
Tucker Nettles, Jr.	Dorchester
Alicia Richardson	York
Kelly Stafford	Charleston
Michael Thrasher	Richland
Michael Tierney	Anderson
Cresinna Underwood	York
George Whitehead	Field Operations

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**Samuel B. Glover**  
*Director*

**Rhonda Grant**  
*Director, Executive Programs*  
*Newsletter Editor*

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*Newsletter Designer*



## AIC Meeting

**Richland AIC Stephanie Garrick reviews data handed to her by Director Sam Glover. Also in the photo is Orangeburg AIC Kim Brantley.**

### AGENCY MISSION

To **prepare** offenders under our supervision toward becoming productive members of the community;  
to **provide** assistance to the victims of crimes, the courts and the Parole Board; and  
to **protect** public trust and safety.

### AGENCY MOTTO

**PREPARE, PROVIDE AND PROTECT**